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IASAC STORE

This listing is of past and current issues on hand. There is a limit of one/person for any variety, with the exception of the 2004 Dalton round and the 2008 Baltimore round. All orders subject to prior sale. Thanks for supporting IASAC!

IASAC-16	2000 Sacramento or Bust (round)		
	Selective gold-plated	1 serial #d	$60
IASAC-18	2002 Cincinnati River Boat (round)		
	2 Bronze	no serial #	$ 9 each
IASAC-20	2004 Dalton Convention (round)		
	Sold as a set only, silver & enam. s n. 015		$80
	Silver variety	17 serial #d	$23 each
	Enameled variety	5 serial #d	$55 each
	5 Bronze	no serial #	$ 7 each
IASAC-21	2005 St. Louis Convention (bar)		
	3 Bronze	no serial #	$ 7 each
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	Enameled variety	1 serial #d	$60
	Postal cover, postpaid		$ 2 each
IASAC-23	2007 Indianapolis Race Car (bar)		
	Bronze	no serial #	$ 7 each
IASAC-24	2008 Baltimore Crab Cake	14 serial #d	$31 each
	Enameled variety	2 serial #d	$53 each
	Bronze	no serial #	$ 6 each
TM-80	Bulldog – Citadel's 25th Reunion		
	Donated by Clarence Criswell		$165
Charlie Diehl's Collection of *Bugles* and other papers			$50
	(Please add $12 postage for this)		

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GREETINGS!

As you may have seen on television my state has had some really severe weather and several deaths from the ice and snow. This occurred mostly in the western and middle of the state. I live in the northern part of Kentucky and we got about seven inches of snow and a quarter-inch of ice. A few accidents but no deaths. I had to rely on email for communication with the outside because I could not get to the Postoffice.

It will not be that long until we can plan going to summer coin shows and looking for those special bars we need. If you live close enough to go to the ANA in Portland, Oregon March 13-15, it will be worth your time and money to go. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing will have its popular "Billion Dollar Display" of high denomination paper money, as well as demonstrations of a 144-year-old, hand-operated "Spider" Printing Press. Visitors to the BEP display area can observe an engraver at work. Don't miss this, it is very educational.

Elsewhere in this Bugle you can find a page of information about the Price Guide Book and an auction ad for the second through the sixth editions of the Guide Book. I only have one Third Edition for sale. REMEMBER THE CLUB GETS $7.00 ADDED TO ITS CHECKING ACCOUNT FOR EVERY BOOK YOU BUY! After this first offering to club members, the price will go to $45.00 each so send in your reservation.

When I saw the amount of ladybugs on the address labels I was really disappointed. There are many who have not renewed their membership. Please send your check to Nancy now.

Thanks, and take care

Archie

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Secretary-Treasurer's Report 2/09

Sorry about the delay with this issue of *The Silver Bugle*. My computer crashed at the most un-opportune time! And there's no way I'm going back to doing this on a typewriter. So much for the "good old days!"

Things have been hectic at our house. The wedding is just four months away, and we attended a bridal show at the convention center early in January. I tried so many different cake samples that I went away with a headache. But, things are progressing well. Bridesmaids' dresses are ordered, we have a DJ booked, and the last major piece to put in place is to order a cake. Our favorite was a champagne-flavored confection that melts in your mouth.

We had some wild weather here in December & January – more snow than I can remember in the 35+ years we've lived in Seattle. Hopefully, that is all over, but you never can tell. We had snow on Opening Day at Safeco Field last spring on April 1!

Gung Hay Fat Choy! We just celebrated the "Year of the Ox" with a gathering of friends. All the kids who were little when we started having our party are now grown up and will soon be having kids of their own. It's always fun, and I love listening to the chatter of many voices as I slave over several woks!

On to club business

1) We had no response to the request for nominations for LASAC officers for 2009-2011 by the mid-January deadline. Therefore, the proposed candidates will take over at the meeting in Los Angeles this summer, and no ballot will be necessary. They are: Nancy Yee, President; Doug Jennings, Vice President; Ed Lantz, Secretary-Treasurer; and Harvey Chew, Historian. Thanks to all for volunteering.

2) The annual meeting will be held in conjunction with the ANA "World's Fair of Money" in Los Angeles from August 5-9. At this time, we are negotiating for a meeting time either Thursday or Friday afternoon, with dinner to follow.

3) The club probably will not rent table space on the bourse. We will have fewer officers/trustees in attendance, making it more difficult to staff a table for that many days. Even if we had a table, we would not be able to sell anything other than club-related bars/rounds, since it would be in competition with dealers on the floor who are paying a much higher premium for their tables. And – there is the problem of dealing with the California tax code.

4) We have a number of ideas for this year's club bar, and the winning design will be revealed in the next issue of this newsletter. Thanks to everyone who submitted a design!

5) Here is hotel information for the ANA meeting in LA: The host hotel is the Wilshire Grand Los Angeles ($167). Also on the list are the Sheraton Los Angeles Downtown Hotel ($159) and Holiday Inn Los Angeles City Center ($159) (these rates are for a single or double). To make a reservation online, go to www.money.org and click on 'Numismatic Events-World's Fair of Money.' You can fax your request 24 hrs/day at 301-694-5124 or mail it to: ANA Housing Bureau, P.O. Box 4088, Frederick MD 21705. The deadline for making a reservation is July 6.

Ed Lantz found a good deal through a travel agent for a different hotel in the neighborhood. It's the Ritz Milner for around $80/night. Check it out at www.lastminutetravel.com.

6) Auction items are now being solicited for the benefit of the club. Please mail them to me by May 1. A full listing will be published in the June issue of *The Silver Bugle*.

7) It's still okay to send in address information for the next address booklet. The computer problems have put me behind schedule. If you get your information in by the end of February, it will be included in the listing. Send only that information that you want published.

8) Last, but not least, if you haven't already paid your dues, it's time to send in a check/money order for $15 ($20 foreign) to keep the *Bugle* coming in 2009. If you see a ladybug on your label, that means you! Thanks for your prompt attention to this little detail!

Address Booklet Info:

Name _____ IASAC # _____

Street Address/P.O. Box # _____

City/State/ZIP+4 _____

Phone _____ Email Address _____

What do you collect? _____

Signature _____ Date _____

IASAC T-Shirts

Be prepared for the club meeting in Los Angeles! We have these quality shirts in royal blue in sizes from Small to XL for $15 each postpaid. There are also several polo shirts (size L) for $44 each and one women's ¾ length sleeve cotton broadcloth shirt (size M) for $52.
IASAC, P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118-8415.

Price of Silver Contest

Once again, we will hold a contest for club members who would like to send in their predictions for the price of silver at the close of business on Tuesday, June 30, 2009. We need to hear from you by June 1. The winner will be announced at the annual meeting in Los Angeles in early August. Good Luck!

Name Club # Guesstimate

Return this form by June 1 to IASAC, Price of Silver Contest, P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118-8415

Price Guide Book Nearing Completion

After many delays the book is now about ready to go to press. There are 137 Pages of listings and 8 front pages. The cover is 4-color process and the paper is the same as the Guide Books. There will not be more than 200 books printed until we see how it is going to sell.

No More Than 2 Books Per Member at This Price!

The Price to IASAC Members will be $36.00 each including shipping. The Club will receive $7.00 for each book sold. Please reserve your copy now. If the demand is greater than I anticipate, more books will be printed.

Do Not Send Money At This Time

YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED WHEN READY!

ALL Officers are to receive an advanced copy for their evaluation and then printing will begin. After the initial offering to club members, sales will be open to anyone at $45.00 each.

Please Reserve My Copy

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

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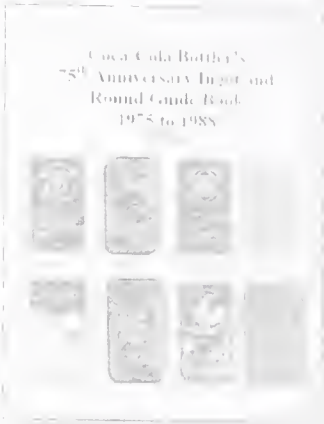
NUMBER OF BOOKS _____ Send To:

ARCHIE KIDD
P. O. BOX 188053
ERLANGER, KY 41018

Coca~Cola 75th Anniversary Ingots and Rounds

By Tom Mock

Why is a second edition Coca~Cola 75th Anniversary Ingot and Round guide book needed?



When I first wrote the Coca~Cola 75th Anniversary Ingot and Round Program (CCP) guide book in 2004, much of what was written was what I knew about the ingots and rounds and information shared with me from other collectors. But, I did not know much about how or why these ingots were made. In thesecond edition, with help from a former World Wide Mint (WWM) employee, I have been able to provide a better picture of the details around the events that started WWM and the CCP. This information has never been shared with those interested in collecting Coca~Cola 75th Anniversary ingots.

The updated contents in this second edition CCP guide book resulted from numerous hours talking with and writing to people (i.e. collectors, Coca~Cola bottlers, former Coca~Cola employees, WWM owners and WWM employees) to gain pieces of information they knew about WWM and the CCP. Some conversations lead to dead ends, as too much time had passed and their memories were faded around the events that took place over 30 years ago. Additionally, many more hours were expended in writing, reviewing and updating the contents of the CCP guide book to reach the final draft. Without the help of many people, it would not have made much sense to publish the second edition.

For those who collect and/or are interested in information about the history of how 75th Anniversary Ingots and Rounds all began, how ingots were selected, errors were produced and why there are samples/proof ingots, this second edition CCP guide book will provide the information you are seeking. Also, the currently known 121 different ingots/rounds are listed with pictures of each. Yes, there are new ingots that have surfaced. Others that could not be substantiated have been removed. More information about ingots than was available when the first edition was published has been provided. In the Appendix, I have included many pictures of old advertisements for Coca~Cola 75th Anniversary Ingots and Rounds.

The first edition CCP guide book sold over 100 copies to interested collectors. I was fortunate to have a few individuals assist me in selling many copies to collectors they know, or at coin shows they attended. I am

greatly indebted to their kindness and generosity. The feedback from collectors was always positive and told me how much they enjoyed the guide book's content.

For those interested in a copy of the second edition, please see my ad in the Classified Ad section of this Silver Bugle. I will donate $10 back to the club for each book sold. (IASAC members – just note your member number when you send me your order through this ad.)

I've Got the Wedding Bill Blues!

Happy Easter-Happy Spring Sale

CM-1	Easter 197[illegible] (mintage of 250)	$50
CCM-9	Happy Easter	$25
HAM-204	Early Easter Morn	$45
HAM-480	Cherry Blossoms/Potomoc (Wash. Monumnet)	$25
HG-1	Christ's Crucifixion-Golgotha	$25
JM-3	Easter 1975	$40
LBTY-9	Happy Easter 1974	$35
MAD-25	Easter 1973 (cute chicks!)	$25
MAD-26	Easter 1975 (more cute chicks!)	$25
MAD-50	Easter 1974	$25
MAD-279V	Easter 1985	$20
ST-5	Easter 1974	$25
ST-19	Easter	$18
USSC-214	Happy Easter 1974 (book says its dated, but it's not)	$30
USSC-215	Happy Easter 1975	$30
USSC-264	Easter 1976 (mintage 150)	$65
NA-87	Happy Easter 1988	$20
NA-100	Happy Easter 1989	$20

Please make checks payable to Nancy Yee & mail to P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118. Add $4 postage for one or two bars/$6 for three or more. Mahalo!

2008 HSNA Medals for sale. Contact Marion Kendrick for availability & prices. P.O. Box 477, Honolulu HI 96809

AUCTION ITEMS WANTED: For the 2009 club auction to be held at the meeting in Los Angeles. Please mail by May 1, so they can be included in a Mail Bid list in the June issue of *The Silver Bugle*.

The Next Deadline for Classified Ads is March 10, 2009. Members in good standing, please submit your free 25 word ad to P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118-8415

Treasury Update

Previous Balance	**$1182.37**
Income	
New memberships/renewals	$ 1987.50
Advertising	25.00
T-Shirt sales	75.00
Cash donations	110.00
Club store sales	325.00
	$ 2522.50
Expenses	
Postage	$ 327.19
Website fees (2 months)	19.90
Printing, December *Bugle*	208.90
Office supplies	119.93
	$ 675.92
New Balance	**$ 3028.95**

THANK YOU to Jim Best, Reggie Stanford, Linda McAleer, Michael Huey, Tom Bales, Don Eubanks, Archie Kidd, Rick Colgan, Eric Kwoczka, John Olival, Len Kruithof, Ralph Steffen, F. Lee Foley, George Kiefer, Vernon Baker and Mike Zielinski, Jr for their donations of FUN dues, cash, stamps and silver for the club's use.

DONATIONS are now being accepted for the 2009 club auction, to be held at the meeting in Los Angeles. All members may participate by sending in a Mail Bid sheet. The list of auction items will be published in the June issue of *The Silver Bugle*.

Welcome to New Members:

747	Richard Court	(Sprouse)	Texas
748	Joseph Markuhes	(URL)	Pennsylvania
749	Sam Murphy	(Steffen)	Oklahoma
750	James Camden	(Steffen)	Maryland
751	Beth Watson	(CW)	California
752	Lawrence J. Bellew	(URL/other)	Pennsylvania
753	Alec Naiman	(Mock)	New York
754	Richard Tremblay	(guide book)	Illinois

We are mailing 274 copies of this issue. Membership in IASAC is $20 ($30 foreign) with renewal at $15 ($20 foreign) payable in January every year. If you see a ladybug on your address label, your dues are now LATE! Please mail to P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118-8415.

Winners will be selected from
Correct answers postmarked
On or before March 10, 2009

Mail to: IASAC, P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118-8415

Name _____

Congratulations to Carlton Dodge, Len Kruthof and Eric Kwoczka for their winning entries in the last puzzle. Thanks to everyone else who played, and found TWO missing entries instead of the ONE asked for (Thank You & The Travelers). They included Anthony Vasquez, Tony Irvin, Susan Manpole, Marion Kendrick, Mike Zielinski, Jerry Hall, Chuck Luce, & John Varner. Good luck with the next puzzle, which is movies titles sitting on the shelf in our TV room. We're starting to get low on prizes, so if you have duplicates you don't want/need, please send them our way. Thank you.

The Painted Veil, Grand Illusion, Iwo Jima, Moulin Rouge, Napoleon Dynamite, Music and Lyrics, The Blues Brothers, Groundhog Day, Aviator, Garden State, Be Kind Rewind, Legally Blonde, Casino Royale, Sideways, Psycho, Wild Hogs, Hairspray, Enchanted, Little Women, Rear Window, Syriana, Hook, High Fidelity. Which is listed twice?_____

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From the Editor's Mailbag

We receive comments, questions & friendly greetings from members & others. Here is a sampling of these letters.

Michael Turrini's holiday card and wood was one of the first to arrive, with a postmark of November 26! His Mother passed away a month later, and sincere condolences have been extended to Turrini on behalf of the club.

Peter Burkhart writes from Florida: "*Bugle* is always a smooth cruise to peruse."

Also waxing poetic is **Larry Armstrong** of the Chicago area. He emailed to say that one of his poems, on the election of Barack Obama, was among 15 published online by the *Chicago Tribune*.
This is not a first for Larry! Please see his vitae on another page regarding [illegible] Hiroshima.

Delbert Bryant writes, "Just received the December *Bugle* and found it to be very good reading, cover-to-cover. I have joined other clubs but this one has no equal." He continues, "There is a little information I would like to give you at this time. I don't think I've given you any details about myself, but I am 83 years old and who knows what tomorrow will bring? The executor of my estate has instructions to pack up and mail to the club all my IASAC rounds and ingots upon my demise. The club can do with these any way its sees fit. I do wish that I could have been involved in a much more personal level with the club, but that wasn't possible."
Thank you for this marvelous gift, D.V.! I hope we don't receive that package anytime soon, though.

Sue Golding sent her annual Christmas letter and photo. Here are some of the highlights: "Tractor season began this year with The Prairie Gold Rush Minneapolis Moline show in Gering, Nebraska in March, which included a great bus tour to a local woolen mill, winery and an old car garage full of great collectibles, including several Coca Cola items." Sue travels a bit, and was off on many jaunts throughout the year. Another trip was to Mt. Pleasant, and "a visit to the Amana colonies which included a stay at a B & B which had been converted from an old schoolhouse. Great food, antiques, and history at the Amana's."
As always, I'll look forward to the holiday card in 2009!

Thanks to everyone who sent 'Season's Greetings' including **Bill Bremmer, Garrrett, Michelle & Katie Burke, Don & Phyllis Eubanks**

Anthony Arrone, Wally & Ella Thomas, Archie & Fannie Kidd, Doug Jennings, Chuck & Jean Luce (who sent a beautiful handmade card), Ben Klein, Joe Ramos, Eric Kwoczka, Randy Rush, Tom Clark, Dave & Sarah Belcher, and Randy Guberman & grandkids Zach, Sarah & Maddie. Michele Bonnaire emailed New Year's greetings in French! I'm sure I'm missing some names.

[illegible]

[illegible] sent an especially kind note with his renewal: "It was nice to read that you are staying involved with the club & running for President - you'd win even if there were 20 people running."

[illegible]

Peggy Lo[illegible] emails, "I just received the very nice Christmas silver round [illegible] Brain Teaser winner. How exciting! This is my first year as a [illegible] and the first time I ever entered the contest. I didn't know what the [illegible] of this contest actually won, if anything, other than just [illegible] to imagine my surprise! And, what is even more amazing. I [illegible] currently watching a listing on eBay with a silver round that had the [illegible] same design on it, but a different year. I was interested in the design, not the year. This will be a nice addition to my collection. Glad I decided to mail in my completed Brain Teaser word search puzzle."

[illegible]

[illegible] Foley writes, "Thank you for another year of good service to all of us. The news and pictures of all things that have to do with the silver bars and rounds keep us all well informed and up to date."

Marion [illegible] writes, "Aloha. Only 160 sets (2008 HSNA medals) were made. Please make an ad in the Bugle for the brass, pewter & copper sets."

[illegible] Pearl Harbor [illegible] for more [illegible]

Frank [illegible] has a suggestion for the next guide book, should one be published. He writes, "It would be great if a list apart from the guide book could be created that would list the name on the item, location where made, approx. dates the firm operated, definitions of abbreviations, types and [illegible] (gold platinum various sizes). This would include old bars going far back. I don't know if they exists, but someone needs to start work on it, if only for history. Thanks."

[illegible]

From the Editor's Mailbag……

Len Kruithof writes, "I'm going to be issuing a new art bar, hopefully in February (subject: The Aloha State: Hawaii 50th) The bar will be issued without color, but I may issue some color enameled bars later. Silvertowne will be minting the bar. Will place ads in the *Bugle* when I have the bars in hand. The price will be under $30. If members are interested, I may be contacted at the address/email listed below."
68-1881 Pakanu St., Waikoloa HI 96738 Email: lenk65@yahoo.com
We'll look forward to it, Len!

Lynnae Clark writes, "I have been out with back surgery since early December and I can't remember if I got my dues paid for the club. Please let me know the status of my membership. If I need to send payment for this year, let me know and I will get it in the mail to you immediately. I love this club and don't want my membership to lapse."
Gee whiz – thanks, Lynnae, for your attention to detail. Your dues are all paid up until next January, and I'm glad to hear you enjoy the club so much! Wishing you a speedy recovery!!

Jan Henke writes, "Days like tomorrow, Superbowl Sunday, don't help the diabetes, with dips and chips, large shrimp platter, and both bar-b-que honey and hot wings. Saw a news article yesterday evening that said over a billion buffalo wings would be consumed on Sunday, enough to cover a football field nineteen feet deep. Now doesn't that leave a lot of wingless chickens??" He continues, "Have talked with Joyce about going to L.A. for the ANA Convention in August. Just taking it one day at a time. No definite plans as of yet."
Hope to see you there!

We have a reminder from **Michael Turrini** of theVallejo (California) Coin Show on Sunday, May 3, 2009 at the Vallejo Elks Lodge. The 37th annual show features coins and collectibles from 9am-4pm. For more information, contact Turrini at 707-246-6327 or email him at EMPERORI@juno.com.

Randy Guberman sends this: "Confessions of a Silver Addict."

Although silver prices have bounced high and low, the true silver art collectors can not be stopped! Is the price of silver an issue? Of course it is.

Less expensive means we can buy more. Silver to this addict means it is highly pleasing to my senses.

I can almost savor its luxuriously rich shine. I find that the artistry lingers in my mind, and I'm always excited to discover a new piece that creates that moment of timeless pleasure for myself and whoever stops to enjoy the silver art that I have selected. As I continue to search for that next savory piece, I will continue to run towards it, as there is no finish line for this hopes addict (silverlicious).

Mike Zielinski writes, "First, of all, I want to thank yu and the club for my prize for the Brain Teaser contest. I was a member of TAMS from 1975 to the early 80's. I quit because I was in England and it would take 3 months to get my newsletters which were shipped by boat. Where is Lavosh Hawaii, on Hawaii? I was stationed at Hickam AFB from November 1967 to November 1970. Our youngest son was born there. We lived in Ewa Beach and loved every bit of our stay. As I look back now, we didn't know how good we had it."

Lavosh was a brand of crackers in Hawaii, as I recall. Does anyone else remember?

Doug Jennings writes, "I bought a silver bar at our coin show Sunday. It's the American Royal Mint with Elvis on the front. It's the same as the Elvis on our new cover. It's the Dahlonega DM-12 but on the reverse it says "Limited Edition Proof" "Guaranteed 15 Grains" "999 silver." I got screwed. I can't find any reference to this anywhere. Do you know anything about the mint or the bar?"

This has come up for discussion in The Bugle in the past. The American Royal Mint just 'sugar coats' ingots with a very thin layer of pure silver. The reason these bars are not in the guide book is because they aren't pure silver. Sorry, Doug!

Rick Colgan writes about a recent trip to Imperial China, Tibet and the Yangtze River last September, saying "Generally, the China trip exceeded our expectations. The highlights were: 1) Tiananmen Square was historic and crowded, but not as big as I envisioned. 2) The Forbidden City was impressive, but somewhat repetitive. Tourists were not allowed into the buildings. 3) The Great Wall was awesome and challenging to climb because some of the sections were stone rubble. 4) The 2,000 year old Terra Cotta Army outside of Xian, China's ancient capital – the 6,000-plus life size figures, all originally buried underground near the tomb of the famous Emperor Qin Shi Huangdi-constituted what may be the greatest wonder of the ancient world, and the City of Xian was the most beautiful one that we visited in our travels. The Chinese cities were generally cleaner than most American cities and had a lot more trees and shrubs. The city traffic was chaotic at the intersections. The people were friendly everywhere. (My wife) Joan and I felt safe walking alone at night on the crowded streets. Except for rain in Chengdu, the weather was perfect – September is a good time to visit China."

Keep those cards and letters coming! This is your forum. Until next time.

iasacnancy@comcast.net

New Issues

Endangered Species Bermuda $2 Coin

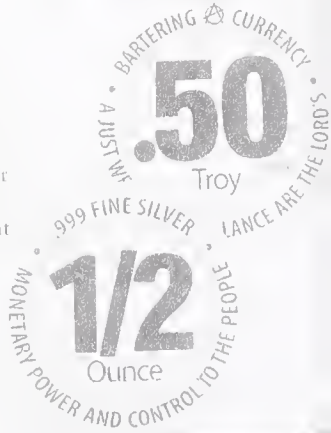
The hawksbill turtle is featured on this 2008 commemorative coin from Bermuda. This marine turtle is found in warm waters throughout the world. Its decorative shell, meat and eggs make the turtle a target for would be poachers. It's birdlike beak gives the hawksbill, one of the smaller sea turtles, its name. A likeness of Queen Elizabeth II appears on the obverse. The coins were struck in the U.K. by The Royal Mint for the Bermuda Monetary Authority. To order, write to the BMA at BMA House 43 Victoria St., Hamilton HM 12, Bermuda or email@ notes.andcoins@bma.bm.

Medal honors architect who designed Michigan Capitol

A round commemorating the 100th anniversary of the death of Elijah E. Myers, architect of the Michigan, Colorado and Texas state capitols was released in early December. A limited edition of 100 was struck in .999 fine silver, and 100,000 were struck in aluminum. Michigan state Re Steven Bieda, chairman of The Myers Memorial Commission, designed the medal. For information, or to order, write to Capitol Memorabilia, Michigan Capitol Committee., P.O Box 30014, Lansing MI 48909-7514.

Dies Created for Bartering Currency

In response to the current economic conditions and scarcity of silver bullion, Richard Nelson of The Money Company has purchased dies to create a silver-based private bartering currency. The dies will be used to produce .50 Troy ounce, .999 fine silver coins. Anyone may mint a minimum of 100 coins from the dies, with the first strike reserved for Nelson as payment for use of the dies and upkeep. For more information, contact The Collector's Mint by email at moneyco3@aol.com or by phone at 818 609-7666. Ask for Nancy or Richard.



Medal Honors Mr. Television

A limited edition portrait medal designed by award winning sculptor Eugene Daub has been issued to commemorate the induction of Milton Berle into the Jewish-American Hall of Fame. This is the organization's 39th issue of art medals. The reverse shows a family enjoying Berle's popular comedy-variety show "Texaco Star Theater." The medal is more than 2 inches in diameter and weighs about 3 ounces. The medal was struck by The Highland Mint in bronze (mintage 500), pure silver (200) and gold plated silver ($35). To order, call 818-225-1348 or write to the Jewish American Hall of Fame, 5189 Jeffdale Ave., Woodland Hills CA 91364.

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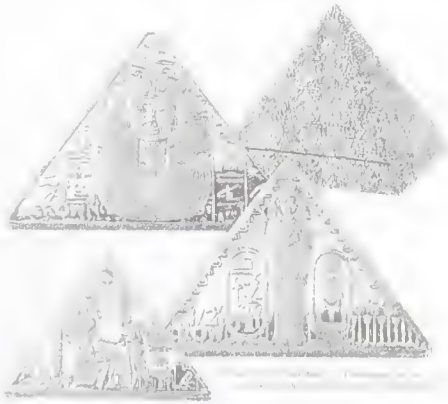

Larry Armstrong
A-Bomb Survivor Historian

Larry Armstrong has achieved 39 years of friendship and trust with Hiroshima & Nagasaki A-Bomb survivors. His efforts have gained respect from the *American Society of Hiroshima & Nagasaki A-Bomb Survivors* (ASA), a non-political group of several hundred U.S. citizens. One of ASA's members, Mrs. Kaz Suyeishi, an American-born Hiroshima survivor, spoke at the Hiroshima-Nagasaki Commemoration in Oak Park's (Illinois) Scoville Park, on Sunday, August 11, 1996. Larry also spoke. A piece of the Hiroshima Peace Flame was acquired from a LaCrosse, Wisconsin church and passed on to two Oak Park churches.

Larry attended the 41st Anniversary celebration of the *Hiroshima Maidens Project* at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York City in May 1995. Four women formerly known as Hiroshima Maidens, including Michiko Yamaoka attended. A story about these women in the August 7, 1996 *Journal of the American Medical Association*, has quotes from Larry.

In April 1997, Larry visited Hiroshima, Nagasaki and Tokyo. A Bomb survivors were met in all three cities. The mayor of Nagasaki, Iccho Itoh also welcomed Larry. Sadly, Mayor Itoh was assassinated in 2007.

When Larry was 15, a Rotary exchange student came to Oak Park for one year. The two became best friends. The visitor's mother and grandmother survived the devastation at Hiroshima, and an aunt perished. In August 1970 Larry visited Hiroshima and was there for the 25th Commemoration. At that time, he met Reverend Kiyoshi Tanimoto, one of the real people from the late John Hersey's classic book *Hiroshima*, and joint coordinator of the *Hiroshima Maidens Project*.

Larry's poem '*Hiroshima-City of Peace*' was written in 1987 and a woman, Toyoko Awano, translated the poem into Japanese. In 1990 the Japan YWCA wrote to him that the poem was accepted by the 1990 Hiroshima YWCA Student Gathering as a learning aid. This poem has been translated into Spanish, Polish and Russian.

In August 1991 he took part in the International Youth Gathering in Hiroshima. He also met with three Hiroshima survivors – Mr. Akihiro Takahashi of the Peace Culture Foundation, Rev. Tanimoto's widow Chisa and Michiko Yamaoka, one of the 25 women formerly known as the Hiroshima Maidens.

The purpose of his 1993 trip was two fold. In 1991 he was given a copy of '*A Mother's Prayer*' from members of Hiroshima's Mother's Peace Movement. He was given permission to offer this film to PBS for its educational value. Chicago's WTTW and San Francisco's KQED showed the film in 1993 and 1995.

Secondly, he was invited to meet some of the women, formerly known as The Hiroshima Maidens. In 1955, 25 unmarried women were brought to the United States through the efforts of *Saturday Review* Editor Norman Cousins and Rev. Tanimoto. In 18 months, 122 plastic surgery operations were done. The surgeons had two objectives: to restore functions of the eyes, nose, mouth and limbs and to restore the injured area as far as possible. Of the 25, twenty survive and Larry had contact with 13.

In 1994, by the invitation of retired nuclear physicist Dr. Naomi Shohno, he participated in the 27th Annual Japan Atomic Industrial Forum conference. He spoke of his 24 year connection with A Bomb survivors.

To share ideas of Peace, he assisted NBC, Showtime, JAPAN TV and others, in the planning of 50th Commemorative projects.

His newsletter, *The Crane and Quill* was distributed annually through 1996 in both Japanese and English. He has spoken at all types of gatherings and his Hiroshima and Nagasaki artifacts from August 6 and August 9, 1945 bring hands-on realism to his audience.

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Hiroshima – City of Peace

Borne from the ashes, Hiroshima rises like the Phoenix
A City of Peace, where the world can observe.
A timeless reminder, brought about by Man's instruments of war
Skeletal A-Bomb Dome, barely stands in repose.

Time has a way of healing some wounds
But A-Bomb Sickness has no predictable end.
Homes can be re-built but once a family is gone
Memories no longer bring happiness, only despair.

Destruction of cities and family life obliteration must open our eyes.
The threat of another human mistake must not be allowed.
A gathering of voices must be raised in defiance to these weapons
For if not, The Planet Earth, will ultimately cease to exist!

Lawrence E. Armstrong
August 6, 1987 ©

Just Humor Me

The Memorial Stone…… from Bob Brown

Fred died. His will provided $30,000 for an elaborate funeral.
As the last guests departed the affair, his wife Helen turned to her oldest friend.
"Well, I'm sure Fred would be pleased," she said.
"I'm sure you're right," replied Jody, who lowered her voice and leaned in close.
"How much did this really cost?"
"All of it," said Helen. "Thirty thousand."
"No!" Jody exclaimed. "I mean, it was very nice, but $30,000?"
Helen answered, "The funeral was $6,500. I donated $500 to the church."
"The wake, food and drinks were another $500. The rest went for the memorial stone."
Jody computed quickly. "$22,500 for a memorial stone? My God, how big is it?"
"Two and a half carats."

An Interview with an 80-year-old Woman…. from Doug Jennings

The local news station was interviewing an 80-year-old lady because she had just gotten married – for the fourth time.

The interviewer asked her questions about her life, about what it felt like to be marrying again at 80, and then about her new husband's occupation.

"He's a funeral director," she answered.

"Interesting," the newsman though. He then asked her if she wouldn't mind telling him a little about her first three husbands and what they did for a living.

She paused for a few moments, needing time to reflect on all those years. After a short time, a smile came to her face and she answered proudly, explaining that she'd first married a banker when she was in her early 20s, then a circus ringmaster when in her 40s, later on a preacher when in her 60s and now in the 80s a funeral director.

The interviewer looked at her, quite astonished, and asked why she had married four men with such diverse careers.

She smiled and explained, "I married one for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, and four to go."

Stress...and how to deal with it.....from Bob Brown

- If you can't be kind, at least have the decency to be vague.
- Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue.
- Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.
- Always wear stuff that will make you look good if you die in the middle of it.
- Drive carefully. It's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker.
- If you find someone $20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.
- It may be that your sole purpose in life is simply to be kind to others.
- Never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because then you won't have a leg to stand on.
- Nobody cares if you can't dance well. Just get up and dance.
- Since it's the early worm that gets eaten by the bird, sleep late.
- The second mouse gets the cheese.
- When everything's coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.
- You may be the only one person in the world, but you may be the world to one person.
- Some mistakes are too much fun to only make once.
- We could learn a lot from crayons...some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names, and all are different colors, but they all have to live in the same box.
- A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour.
- Birthdays are good for you. The more you have, the longer you live.

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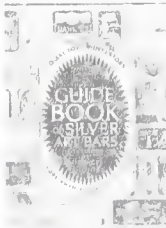

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